

- 1877 Jan 9<sup>th</sup> Limmon went  
to Yates Mill but did not  
any meal or Ammon for me  
10 Culling Wood Edmon  
to mill Yates at 10 o'clock  
could not get up  
mill & come back home  
11<sup>th</sup> Ammon & Limmon got out  
Jacob went to Russell's  
to settle up & went to his  
his plantation cloudy  
12 Ammon fixing stall in  
stable Edmond & Limmon  
new spruce Barn. 14 quite  
good day, Tobias to have  
13 Ammon & Limmon getting  
getting wood 2 horses & then  
go with Edmond & King Tobias  
know nothing much grain  
I cant go to meeting S. S. to day  
14 Let Mr Mr Moses Heffler  
come here yesterday & went  
away today Jacob come to  
app. and evening about 12 o'clock  
I dont go to meeting today S. S.  
15 Ed. Fitzgerald came here last  
night & left for Co. & home Sat. day  
16 Jan 16<sup>th</sup> to Co. & home Sat. day  
17 Jan 17<sup>th</sup> to Co. & home Sat. day

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10<sup>th</sup> Jan. Mollie L. L. & I  
in plan beak and hauling and S. L. King  
Barke to beise  
if Wm Wallace & Robt. L. L. & S.  
about plan beak  
Bulbul Dan

1877  
3<sup>rd</sup> finished Plant Box in. Black covered  
2<sup>nd</sup> fenced it up to day and drained it  
Jimmie Plowing in Spitting branch in  
lot below spring

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Cloudy & a  
little Cooler -

5<sup>th</sup> Ammon Hauling our good  
Some Rails Jimmie Plowing  
Delas mauling in our ground  
Looks like I did past night  
Weather moderate

5<sup>6<sup>th</sup></sup>  
Ammon Dilland Hauling rails for  
lot Back yard Jimmie plowing in lot  
Delas mauling Jacob gone to William &  
Thomas to beise to divided land

7<sup>th</sup> Hauling Rails Jimmie Plowing  
Delas mauling Jerry &  
Mike here - Smoky weather  
anery here  
Jimmie Plowing &

1877 July 8. Nannie &  
 Mary & Ann gone to get more  
 9<sup>th</sup> Fencing Plow - malling at  
 Nanny got dark  
 9<sup>th</sup> Fencing Immune Plowing  
 Jacob gone & did not  
 come back to mulling  
 10 no Jacob thus morning  
 Clear pretty morning  
 12 Jimmy plowing back of garden  
 balance cleaning up below granary  
 12<sup>th</sup> Fencing  
 13<sup>th</sup> Fencing  
 The other 2nd loads  
 Fencing about & cleaning  
 & cleaning  
 13<sup>th</sup> Fencing ish potatoes in garden  
 plowing and cleaning lot around  
 the Granary Edmond Tucker did in 2 days  
 14<sup>th</sup> cleaning up and getting off logs  
 and blowing rich land for corn along  
 the land back of Granary  
 15. Hauling rails cleaning  
 up above granary pretty soon  
 Plowing pretty day -  
 to East at work on bridge  
 very day Edmond Tucker I am  
 above bridge  
 on Creek this evening

1877 Still cloudy & very  
warm & sunny

32 - all stripping tobacco  
to day cloudy & raining  
weather bad & disagreeable  
Lemmer helping his Daddy

Jacob Hung is meat to day

23 - Stripping all stripping  
tobacco to day - not very cold

24 Edmund stripping tobacco  
Lemmer went carried 2 bl Corn  
for one meal & money for  
Jacob I went to Edmund  
Jacks & John Powers & Clark  
Wade & Harrow looking for  
Ledy & all my fowl & they  
were at at the Powers -  
to they told me, - Powers -

25 Edmund Hauling up  
fodder & bales & balancer  
Culling in Corn house to day  
Got on Ranch cloudy

26 Edmund moved from  
Culling & making H. & S.

27 Saturday Jany malling &  
wood to burn  
Plant Red next to house  
making pullers at Plant

28 Sunday pretty day

29<sup>th</sup> pretty day Edmondson  
burning plant beyond ore  
this side of mountain  
good weather moderate

30<sup>th</sup> covering Plant Red in  
mountain spring

31<sup>st</sup> Culling wtd. for Plant  
Red over in slash  
& going to be burn

Another Plant Red wall-  
ace & another man with  
them Jimmie Plowing

Feb 1<sup>st</sup> Burning over

On Braces in slash Jimmie  
Plowing on Hill or Branch  
for Tobacco & corn weather

good - clear day - Doron  
came her yesterday

Feb 2 Jimmie Plowing Corn  
and Jacob Mare the tractor  
burning plant head in slash

1877. March 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday

March 11

Monday Ammon Sege. Cutting in new ground.  
Ma. went up to Eddie Jim went with  
L. 1<sup>st</sup> day.

March 12<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Ammon Sege. and Jim and  
Ami. cleaning up. and fixing crop lot.  
March 13<sup>th</sup> Wednesday finished cleaning up. and  
fixing crop lot in front of Granary.

March 14<sup>th</sup> hauling out and scattering corn  
bolls on crop lot.

March 15<sup>th</sup> Jim plowing crop lot 1<sup>st</sup> day -  
Ammon Sege. thrashing out oats

March 16<sup>th</sup> Ammon Jim throwing down  
corn bolls - Sege. harrowing in oats Ammon -  
sowing oats 1<sup>st</sup> day Ammon sick  
been laid up in the house 3 days 1<sup>st</sup>  
day.

March 17<sup>th</sup> Ammon all day 1<sup>st</sup> day  
~~Ammon all day 1<sup>st</sup> day~~

March 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday snow in the ground all day

March 19<sup>th</sup> Monday hauling wood and  
hauling wood

March 20<sup>th</sup> Tuesday thrashing all day  
with all hands

March 21<sup>st</sup> Jim with all hands 1<sup>st</sup> day

March 22<sup>nd</sup> fixing yard fence until dinner  
after dinner throwing down corn bolls and  
sowing and harrowing in oats

March 23<sup>rd</sup>

fixed crop lot in front of Granary

put 1 bush 3 bush oats on lot

to 1 bush 1 bush of seed

1 gal and 3 qts of. Load Red on  
the lot of 5  
furrows in lot then throwing  
down in corn beds for adts days  
March 25<sup>th</sup> corn in hand y. felled  
hauling rails for lot back of yard.  
warm weather so much  
at work, here 22<sup>nd</sup> March

March 24<sup>th</sup> Saturday

Throwing down corn beds coming  
and harrowing in oats. Threshing out  
oats.

March 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday

March 26<sup>th</sup> Went to mill to day. Drifted  
to 10000 until dinner then went to  
cleaning up on branch in lot hills.  
The spring

March 27<sup>th</sup> all hands cleaning up  
ditch his finished turning up. tries to  
lay.

March 28<sup>th</sup> finished cleaning up ditch  
in corn field to day finished cleaning  
up head of ditch that Edmund cut  
in corn field.

March 29<sup>th</sup> all hands cleaning off.  
new ground and hauling roots. Clear  
Cold and Windy.

March 30<sup>th</sup> Throwing down Corn sets and  
sowing oats. Day. Marshalls getting  
Amos taking and cleaning off new  
ground



187, by 20 Sunday  
Mrs. Morrison has pretty  
weather, Jacob gave to Fry  
stated, some  
Plowing & Hauling Rails  
Hence, next to Fry.  
Jacob Wednesday morning  
shill plowing Ammon  
Our Cart loan  
made little dairy to  
moving Room do to  
dining Room do to  
22 Feb pretty day finding  
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Jimmi plowing Silas hauling  
Rails Ammon fencing it and  
also the Carrao Wheat to Miller  
Will Ten cleaning & plowing  
27 I went to mount dairy again  
Window glass opening  
Hauling Rails hauling clear  
Pretty day got some  
molefats for my pet  
28 Hence cleaning up and  
Plowing I got the Mr. Yates &  
Lowery but did not see him  
March 1 fine days yesterday  
to day cleaning up hauling  
to plow & plowing & expect  
did not plant oats or peas prepared the land  
and got the ready toppling trees in the  
Ammon Willard toppling the trees

1877 March 3<sup>N</sup>

I W. Graves went to Miller's  
with Jim and Cart. Carried 1 Barrel  
Corn. Bro. Backs meal flour & less  
and Silas Marshall went to Williams  
Lumber after Cart. Jay. Trees planted there  
out in yard. Guest & Ammond Billaud  
gone to his plantation after Corn -  
March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Sunday. All. Staid at home  
To day.

March 5<sup>th</sup> Ammond & Jim Colling here  
Silas Marshall colling new ground  
Annie raking new ground -

March 6<sup>th</sup> Guest. Commenced raking to him to  
Ammond Billaud helping him fix up his  
stone in weaving house - Anne securing  
out weaving house. Silas Colling in new  
ground. Jim plowing.

March 7<sup>th</sup> Ammond Billaud and Silas  
Marshall dragged out logs off of new  
ground. With Oxen Jim plowing hauled  
up stack of oats To day -

March 8<sup>th</sup> Ammond Billaud & Jim plowing  
Tobacco Land. Silas Marshall colling  
new ground. Annie and son grubbing  
March 9<sup>th</sup>

Ammond Billaud & Jim and myself  
went up on the Creek with wagon and  
Cart. Carried 3500 Shingles to build my  
house. Silas working in new ground.  
~~near~~ about the house cold and windy

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An agreement made on the 1st day of Novr 1844 between Jeremiah White Graves and the other land owners of the County of Adams aforesaid That the said J. W. Graves being old and cant attend to his plant on the land he has and attend to his plant & given up the old part of the land for him & family to use. But one or two hands to work. I have got that I can do. I sufficient to do the work. I also I plow & sow to work at the end of the year and give the said J. W. Graves one fourth of the crop of Corn or Oats or Rye Tobacco & for the year 1844. Taken by O. T. all the land for the year 1844 the straw & chaff I dont give no part of that. I furnish on O. T. took it

March 31<sup>st</sup> Sowing oats Seye Marshall  
collecting new ground Annie Anderson taking  
in new ground —

April 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Ma. Comer home  
from John R. Whiteheads to day —

April 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday Holliday. Clear  
cloudy and raining to day —

April 3 Tuesday Thrashed out one stack of  
oats from barnyard in oats Almond collecting  
Seye Marshall collecting

April 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday. Finished sowing oats  
to day. Sowed nearly 20 bushels Almond and  
Seye Marshall collecting Annie burning brush.  
Jest. went with Booker Fitzgerald to Mt  
Aiy to attend the warrant between him and  
Abram Glenn. George Little was killed  
at Mt. Aiy about twilight by William  
Henry Keatts died in five minutes after  
he was cut three long five large gashes  
cut on him with a large Dirk knife by  
Keatts

April 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday

Stuffed Lobsters until dinner Almond  
carried a load of planks on the Creek  
planted out hot bed of sweet potatoes  
Went to Mount Aiy in the evening to see  
George Little did not see him saw his clothes  
which was completely soaked by a knife in the  
hand of William Henry Keatts —

April Friday Seye Marshall collecting on ditch  
jims and Almond hating corn land Comer sent to  
to day —

Saturday weather clear and mild  
 Dinner after dinner about a Irish  
 potatoes (some boiling on fire)  
 April 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday Raining all day  
 April 9<sup>th</sup> Monday Raining to day  
 Making Brooms has been H.C.H.  
 April 10 Tuesday went to mill to day.

April 9<sup>th</sup> Monday Raining to day

Sept 11 Tuesday Court is held today.  
Sitting most of the day.

4/11/11. Wednesday. Colled logs on Brandv.  
in corn field betd corn land in the corner

Apr 12 Thursday. Lining and cleaning up corn  
and on Branch in lot below Spring

Apr 13<sup>th</sup>, Friday. Hired up corn land back  
f. corn. Then went to mile after meal  
fixing in the evening. Very cold rain  
at night.

Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup>  
Collaring on Branch in corn field  
and new ground. Eye splitting up wood in  
new ground. Mammals plant beds this  
evening plants large as three cents for this  
trade. Fine appearance. Yet

April 15-<sup>th</sup>. Sunday

April 17<sup>th</sup> Tuesday fishing Corv. Cant. towing  
beh. land. n. d. little. with worms.

April 18<sup>th</sup> Thursday Rainy. From 5 till 7  
 or less commenced planting Corn. In upper part of  
 16.

April 19<sup>th</sup> ~~Friday~~ planting Corn.

Thursday

1897 - April 21<sup>st</sup>. Ammon Dillard and myself  
went to plantations after corn. The Ballantrays  
cleaning up one ditch for corn -

April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Sunday

April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Monday planting corn

April 24<sup>th</sup>. Tuesday planting corn.

April 25<sup>th</sup>. Wednesday planting corn. Mally calf  
found in the pasture -

April 26<sup>th</sup>. ~~Thursday~~ <sup>Thursday</sup> planting corn - finished  
except some wet places hauling out manure.

April 27<sup>th</sup>. ~~Thursday~~ <sup>Friday</sup> hauling out manure  
planted water mellow patch on 1 branch.

Thursday

April 28<sup>th</sup>. Saturday finished outside fence  
round corn field.

April 29<sup>th</sup>. Sunday

April 30<sup>th</sup>. Monday finished hauling out  
manure.

May 1<sup>st</sup>. Tuesday clearing new ground and  
fresh ground - and hilling.

May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Wednesday clearing and hilling.

May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thursday clearing and hilling.

May 4<sup>th</sup>. Friday clearing and hilling.

May 5<sup>th</sup>. Saturday - rained ~~to day~~ corn

May 6<sup>th</sup>. Sunday. - Carnes / Barock

May 7<sup>th</sup>. Monday. Hauled log to mill  
raining ground too wet to work.

May 8<sup>th</sup>. Tuesday. Hauled one log to mill  
ground too wet to work.

May 9<sup>th</sup>. Wednesday. Hauled a log to mill  
ground too wet to work.

May 10<sup>th</sup> Thursday went to The Depot  
brought Springs after guano. To day  
Brought back two Sacks of for  
The plantations for for home.  
finished hauling out Tobacco stalks  
on Tobacco lot.

Friday. Replowing Tobacco lot  
and scattering manure uncovered the  
plant bed in the glade and manured  
it with guano -

Saturday. Raining to day planted  
collards in garden did not get quite  
done hauling leaves for stable  
uncovered. Plant Bird back of. To day  
to day.

May 13<sup>th</sup> - Sunday

May 14<sup>th</sup> Monday. Shrubbery and roofing  
Harrowing in new ground ground  
Dig. Wet Cut. Detch in front of dining room on  
May 15<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. Lifting Tobacco land  
May 16 Replanting corn commenced killing  
in fresh ground.

May 17. Killing in fresh ground all  
hands replanting corn in evening

May 18. Replanting corn plowed up  
land on detch and planted over  
again.

May 19. Replanting corn and planting  
to rough place on detch some fine  
growing weather

May 20. Sunday



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May 24 Lent<sup>h</sup> Harvest, Corn  
to Yeates made 1 day for  
1 day for 1 day for 1 day  
for me 1 day for 1 day  
1 day for 1 day for 1 day

May 21 Whitentide Holiday  
May 22 worked out potatoes Irish  
worked out garden planted peas and  
Broom Corn & Hilling in new ground.  
May 23 replanting Corn Hilling in new  
ground

May 24<sup>th</sup> Election day went to Yeates  
Hills Carried 7 1/2 Bus Corn 2 1/2 for  
myself - Carried one small bag -  
all hands in new ground Hilling  
trying to finish

June 5 Planted Corn in flat on Branch  
in front of dining room door to day  
weeding Corn Very dry weather planted  
no Tobaccoes yet

June 6<sup>th</sup> Some rain popping about but  
a very light shower here said May  
dry weather Corn looking well  
finished weeding Corn to day bushing  
the oats and firing lot Tobaccoes land  
for Tobaccoes

June 13<sup>th</sup> Sailed to Meers. and  
Barron. Camp for one  
week. Jacob gave to Depot after  
wards Springs  
June 14 ordinary Lodging to Meers.

June 30<sup>th</sup>. Commenced laying by corn today  
mostly done weeding down tobacco -  
Ground very wet. been very seasons -  
for several weeks crop looking well  
done cutting wheat. priced and rent off  
all the tobacco on hand made last year -  
Oats Refining very fast and looking  
well -

A. Hall Storm today Thistledown Stone  
fell as large as turk. Eggs but did no  
serious damage no wind in the cloud at  
all - Thistledown Stone was in every different sort  
of shape and some of them burst in  
pieces when they fell we are laying by  
a crop looking well

July 9<sup>th</sup> Monday

Cutting oats to day. Immense  
flowering in tobacco with good flower  
commenced. flowers tobacco. Record time  
today.

I have been thinking of you very much lately  
 and wondering how you are getting on.  
 I hope you are well and happy.  
 I have been very busy lately  
 but I will write to you again soon.  
 Love,  
 John

Horizon began to dig the well the  
22 October 1877 on the Creek Pleasant  
Dillard and Fied began to work on  
well 23 October 1877 on creek  
corner to water. The third day and by Friday  
night he finished digging and walled it  
up - 12 feet. The well is 24 1/2 feet deep.

My Contract with Mr. Horizon is as follows  
I furnish him two hands to help him and  
feed him and the hands and pay him  
twenty five cents a foot for digging and  
twenty five cents a foot for walling it up.  
Horizon finished digging the well  
got it wated in three days.

Nov 2nd Horizon working on well  
house all this week. Fied working  
with him all this week.

Nov 2nd Jacob started to Woods Spring  
this morning for well fixtures. Cloudy  
and like for rain.

1877 Jacob killed and brought 4  
Nov 2nd hogs up here today from plantation  
and they weighed as follows 155, 170, 12  
142, 44 1/2, 70, 63, Total amt, \$26  
Raining today, Nov 22 still raining

Moved to this place Pine Hill  
between the 15 & 20 of Nov 1877  
on Strait Stone Creek

1877 Dec 30 snowed and ruined the first snow  
31 clear and cool this winter

January 1<sup>1878</sup> the 3 Fred set in to work ~~for~~  
for six dollars for the first month 5 for  
the balance of the year

Jan the 8 the coldest day this winter

16<sup>th</sup> April 1878. Dooley had  
a sh cap. Bet & John Miller  
stowed this, muley ~~had~~  
stole cap 20<sup>th</sup> May 878.  
I have been to m<sup>o</sup> m<sup>o</sup> m<sup>o</sup> m<sup>o</sup>  
refused his storage